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SUBJ: VISIT OF DOT/TRB GROUP, WEEK OF APR 20-26

1. BACKGROUND: OECD IS SPONSORING AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE IN PARIS APR 14-16 CALLED "BETTER TOWNS WITH LESS TRAFFIC." CONFERENCE WILL EXAMINE CASE STUDIES OF INNOVATIVE LOW-COST SCHEMES DESIGNED TO REDUCE URBAN MOTOR VEHICLE USE. US WILL BE REPRESENTED BY FEDERAL (DOT, HUD, EPA) AND LOCAL TRANSPORTATION OFFICIALS. MOST LOCAL OFFICIALS ATTENDING CONFERENCE ARE PART OF TASK FORCE JOINTLY SPONSORED BY DOT AND TRANSPORTATION RESEARCH BOARD (TRB). TASK FORCE IS COMPOSED PRIMARILY OF SENIOR CITY TRANSPORTATION OFFICIALS WITH STRONG INTEREST IN ENERGY-CONSERVING LOW-COST TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT TECHNIQUES TO REDUCE URBAN VEHICLE MILES OF TRAVEL (VMT) DURING WEEK OF APR 20-26 THIS TASK FORCE WILL DIVIDE INTO THREE GROUPS, EACH OF WHICH WILL VISIT SEVERAL EUROPEAN CITIES HAVING ADVANCED INNOVATIVE SCHEMES, INCLUDING SOME CITIES THAT ARE SUBJ OF OECD CONFERENCE CASE STUDIES.

2. IT IS PLANNED THAT ONE GROUP (DESIGNATED AS U.K. GROUP) WILL VISIT NOTTINGHAM, LEEDS AND LONDON (NOTTINGHAM IS OECD CASE STUDY CITY). GROUP COMPRISES MR. SHELTON JACKSON, POLICY PLANNING

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ANALYST, DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION, WASH., D.C. AND PAUL

FOSTER, DEPUTY COMMISSIONER FOR TRAFFICE, CITY OF BOSTON,  
MASS. DOT DEPUTY ASSIST SEC FOR POLICY, PLANS AND INTERNATIONAL  
AFFAIRS, DR. IRWIN P. HALPERN, WILL JOIN GROUP FOR LONDON  
MEETINGS.

3. REQUEST ASSISTANCE ARRANGING MEETINGS WITH CITY TRANSPORTATION  
PLANNING OFFICIALS RESPONSIBLE FOR AREAS DESCRIBED PARA (1)  
AND SUCH SITE VISITS AS SUGGESTED BY THEM. GROUP (EXCLUDING  
HALPERN) WILL ARR LONDON (GATWICK) APR 20 ON BR 883 AND WILL  
PROCEED TO ST. PANCRAZ FOR 1305 TRAIN TO NOTTINGHAM ARR 1500.  
GROUP WILL HAVE UNTIL APR 22 EARLY PM FOR MEETINGS AND  
ORIENTATION VISITS IN NOTTINGHAM. REQUEST 2 SINGLES FOR  
NIGHTS APR 20 AND 21 IN NOTTINGHAM. GROUP DEPARTS APR 22 AT 1305  
FOR LEEDS VIA SHEFFIELD ARR 1705. REQUEST TWO SINGLES LEEDS  
NIGHT APR 22. GROUP HAS MOST OF APR 23 AVAIL IN LEEDS DEPARTING  
1730 TRAIN FOR KINGS CROSS. REQUEST TWO SINGLES FOR GROUP  
(NIGHTS APR 23 THROUGH 25) AND DOUBLE FOR HALPERN IN LONDON  
(NIGHTS APR 23 THROUGH 26). PLEASE USE MODERATELY PRICED HOTELS  
WHERE POSSIBLE. SUGGEST EMBASSY DISCUSS WITH DAVID TEASDALE  
AT DOE SELECTION OF LOCAL OFFICIALS TO BE CONTACTED  
IN ARRANGING MEETINGS. TEASDALE U.K. REP ON AND CHAIRMAN  
OF STEERING GROUP FOR OECD CONFERENCE AND WILL BE QUITE FAMILIAR  
WITH TRAFFICE MANAGEMENT SCHEMES IN THESE THREE CITIES.

4. MESSAGES CONCERNING THIS PROGRAM TRANSMITTED AFTER APR 8  
SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO AMEMBASSY PARIS SLUGGED FOR DE TERRA  
(DOT). END KISSINGER

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